



2005 VETERANS DAY PARADE ESSAY CONTEST

Sponsored by: Carl T. Hayden VA Medical Center 2005 Veterans Day Parade

Theme: “Serving at Home & Abroad”

Criteria:

- Open to all students in grades 5 – 12 attending Arizona schools
- Essays are to be 500 words or less
- Essays are to be typed or neatly printed
- Essays are to be double-spaced
- Essays must include: student’s name, age, and grade, teacher’s name and class, school name, address, and phone number

**Essays will not be returned and will become property of the VA Veterans Day Parade Committee.*

Judging Criteria:

- Originality
- Content
- Keeping in focus with the theme, “Serving at Home & Abroad.”

Prizes: Prizes will be award to Elementary School, Junior High School, and Senior High School entries as follows:

- 1st place, \$200 savings bond
- 2nd place, \$150 savings bond

Winning entrants will ride on a float in the VA Veterans Day Parade and will have excerpts of their essays published in the parade program. A group photo will also be taken of all essay winners.

Submit entries: Mail your entry by October 10, 2005 to:
Attn: Michele Laib, Essay Committee, Ward 4D
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650 East Indian School Road
Phoenix, Arizona 85012